

Spelling Game

Turndown!

Players: 2, plus dealer

You need: blank cards, marker, list of Unit 26 Basic Words

How to play: Players write each of the Unit 26 Basic Words on a blank card. They make a second deck of cards, writing the two words that form each contraction in Unit 26 on one card. The dealer shuffles both decks.

1. The dealer gives five contraction cards to each player. The players turn these cards face up in front of themselves.
2. The dealer places the second set of cards face down on the table. Then he or she turns over the top card and reads the two words.
3. The player who has the contraction made from those words says, "Turndown!" and turns the contraction card over.

The dealer continues to draw cards and call out word pairs until one player has turned down all five of his or her cards.

Other ways to play this game: Both sets of cards are combined, shuffled, and placed face down in rows. Players take turns turning over pairs of cards to match a contraction with the two words that form it. The player with the most pairs wins the game.

